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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 35 USC § 119, Applicants enclose the prigrity document, Japanese Application No. 2000-112126, for filing in this case. Applicants hereby expressly claim priority to the foregoing patent application.

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